Dates for your Diary:

March Men's Breakfast **Finance Standing Committee** Ash Wednesday Lent Course **Holy Communion** Lunch Club Lent Course **St Francis Fellowship PCC Meeting Community Shop** Lent Course April Lent Course Men's Breakfast APM/APCM Lent Course **Holy Communion** Lunch Club Lent Course **St Francis Fellowship** Maundy Thursday **Good Friday Easter Sunday Community Shop**

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Saturday 2^{nd} March 8.45 Tuesday 5^{th} March Wednesday 6^{th} March Monday 11^{th} March 11.00am & 7.30pm Monday 11^{th} March 12.00pm Monday 11^{th} March 12.00pm Monday 11^{th} March 100pm Monday 18^{th} March 11.00am & 7.30pm Tuesday 19^{th} March Saturday 23^{rd} March 11am – 1pm Monday 25^{th} March 11.00am & 7.30pm

Monday 1st April 11.00am & 7.30pm Saturday 6th April 8.45 Sunday 7th April Monday 8th April 11.00am & 7.30pm Monday 8th April 12.00pm Monday 8th April 1.00pm Monday 15th April 1.00pm Monday 15th April 2.30pm 18th April Meal & Reflection 7.30 19th April Hour at the Cross 2pm 21st April 10.00am Saturday 23rd March 11am – 1pm

ST. FRANCIS PARISH CHURCH, WESTBOROUGH Notice sheet for Sunday 24th February 2019

A very warm welcome to everyone joining us for our Communion Service this morning.

Please do join us in the hall after the service for a cup coffee and a chat.

Collect for Sexagesima: The Second Sunday Before Lent

Almighty God, give us reverence for all creation and respect for every person, that we may mirror Your likeness in Jesus Christ our Lord

Readings

Genesis 2: 4b-9, 15-25	Page 4
Revelation 4	Page 1236
Luke 8: 22-25	Page 1037

Please pray:

- For those who are unwell and those going through particularly difficult times, especially Mary and Bob, Dawn and Graham, Maureen and Pam, Eike, Joram and Cecil; praying that the Holy Spirit will strengthen and encourage them in their time of need. That they may turn to him for healing and comfort.
- Satyah, Aileen and baby Leon as they settle back home
- For Laura, Nathan, Liam and Noah.
- For the DCC as they meet to discuss and develop our Vision Plan on Tuesday
- For the people of Zimbabwe through this turbulent time.
- For the Yemen and for the people there in response to the crisis, currently the worst in the world.
- For the work of the Bible Society

We continue to pray for the churches in our Deanery. This week we pray for

St Peter's shared church:

1. Huge thanks for Alpha course where we have seen transformative growth in faith.

2.Pray for people with a heart for youth to volunteer in different groups as we develop some of our youth work in our community.

3.To continue to be outward looking in the mission initiatives through Sunday funday that more people will connect with God through friends.

Preparation of new Electoral Roll

This year we need to prepare a new Electoral Roll. This means that **everybody** needs to re-apply to be included (even if you are on the current Electoral Roll). Please fill in a form at the back of the church and give it to Stefanie or Diane by the 18th March at the latest. Thank you!

Holiday...

Stefanie is away now for two weeks visiting Iran. Please pray for her safety as she travels, for fun, relaxation and refreshment.

If you need to speak to a member of the clergy while she is away please contact Revd. Diane Peters – Tel 532796 on either Monday morning or Tuesday unless it is an emergency.



Lent Challenge

Why don't you join in with our Lent Challenge by putting your name on the list at the back of the church. During Lent you will be given the name of someone in the congregation to invite or visit for coffee. This will be someone who you may not normally meet up with. This will be a lovely way to get to know each other better.

DCC Meeting

The DCC will be meeting to discuss and develop our Vision Plan this Tuesday (26^{th} February).

Lent Course – dates for your diary!

During Lent we will be running a Lent Course each Monday. 11.00 am - 12.30 pm followed by a light lunch *or* 7.30 pm - 9.00 pm starting with a light supper On the 11^{th} March and 8^{th} April the marring lant Course will

On the 11th March and 8th April the morning Lent Course will be followed by Communion and Lunch Club



Imagine

Imagine what would happen if thousands of people were praying every day and hundreds of churches united in asking God for his will to be done. Imagine whole communities becoming saturated with the presence of God and people forsaking what is wrong, experiencing his love and finding Christ every day Imagine people becoming interested in the message of Christ and widespread social changes as people live in hope instead of despair. Imagine discovering God to be near; answers to prayer becoming common place and church becoming truly glorious. Imagine... revival

Why don't we as a whole church follow the Catching the Wave 40 Day Prayer Guide? It is full of interesting reflection and prayer points – one for each day. Booklets available from Diane – only £3.00!